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PATENT

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| Applicant: | Charles E. Andraka, et al. | Examiner: | Sarang Afzali |
| Serial No.: | 10/665,266 | Group Art Unit: | 3729 |
| Filed: | September 16, 2003 | Docket No.: | SD-6398.1 |
| Title: | Method of Manufacturing a Heat Pipe Wick with Structural Enhancement | | |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| First Named Inventor | Charles E. Andraka |
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| Art Unit | 3729 |
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| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

| Fee Description | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) |
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| Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) | 50 | 25 |
| Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) | 200 | 100 |
| Multiple dependent claims | 360 | 180 |
| Total Claims | | |
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| Indep. Claims | | |
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